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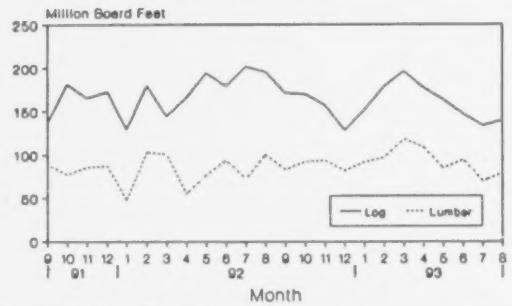
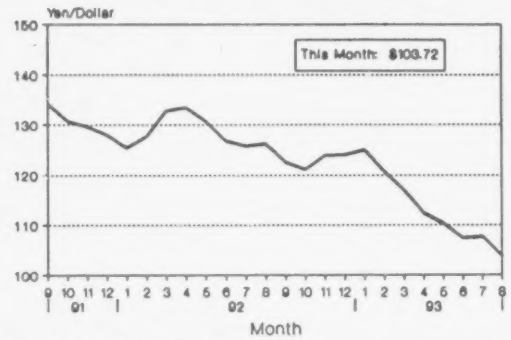
A Fact Sheet on U.S. Wood Product Exports to the Pacific Rim — *Issued: November 1993*

Exports to Japan
Softwood Logs & Lumber



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce; FAS

Japanese Yen/U.S. Dollar



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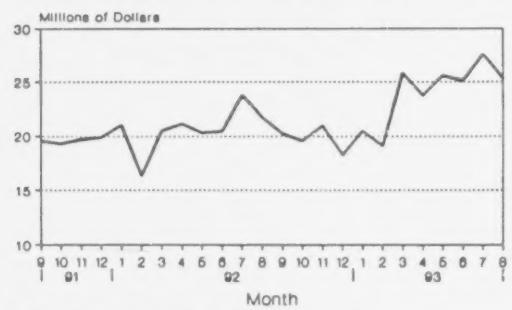
Value of Hardwood Lumber Exports to the Pacific Rim



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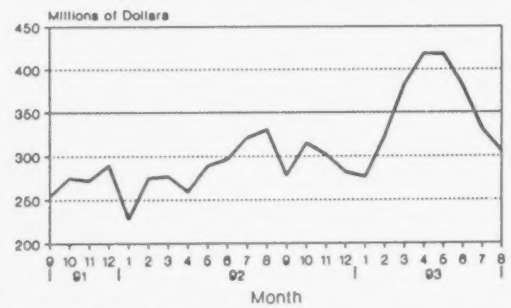
Value of All Wood Products Exports to the Pacific Rim



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Total U.S. Exports to the Pacific Rim ($000)

Country Markets	Aug.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Japan	232,155	(6.9)	2,222,158	23.7
China	9,605	*	88,170	20.4
Korea	32,347	(23.3)	284,065	36.8
Taiwan	15,921	(2.0)	125,740	7.0
Australia	10,677	(29.3)	82,280	55.9
Hong Kong	3,521	8.5	22,741	9.4
Singapore	945	2.1	9,987	16.3
TOTAL	$305,169	(7.8)	$2,835,141	24.5

Product Groups	Aug.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Softwood Logs	159,159	(8.4)	1,568,714	32.0
Softwood Lumber	58,730	(2.3)	521,439	38.7
Hardwood Logs	3,900	12.7	64,774	20.1
Hardwood Lumber	25,333	(8.1)	192,831	16.7
Hardwood Veneer	3,179	(14.3)	28,000	12.0
Particleboard	2,569	62.2	16,186	(24.0)
Other	52,303	(14.1)	443,202	(0.9)
TOTAL	$305,169	(7.8)	$2,835,141	24.5

Notes: (1) Sources are USDA Foreign Agriculture Service & Dept. of Commerce unless noted otherwise.
(2) Percent changes from/to zero (or minimum) values are noted by *.
(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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U.S. Exports To:

		VOLUME				VALUE-$000			
		Aug.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Aug.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
	Softwood Logs - MBF	139,454	4.4	1,286,951	(7.4)	131,363	(6.7)	1,293,559	31.8
J	Softwood Lumber - MBF	79,243	13.4	743,969	14.0	44,755	0.9	423,910	33.1
A	Hardwood Logs - MBF	1,583	66.4	22,381	10.1	2,271	81.7	40,375	28.9
P	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	10,450	(10.4)	80,671	4.8	14,176	(3.4)	103,739	13.1
A	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	9,877	(4.3)	85,249	14.7	1,121	18.5	9,785	(2.6)
N	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	642	45.5	4,362	(46.4)	138	(2.8)	1,612	(14.8)
	Other					38,331	(18.9)	349,175	(3.4)
	Subtotal					232,155	(6.9)	2,222,158	23.7
	Softwood Logs - MBF	23,317	(29.1)	228,353	(16.0)	16,696	(37.7)	171,794	44.5
K	Softwood Lumber - MBF	3,069	*	22,539	40.8	3,039	*	14,530	67.5
O	Hardwood Logs - MBF	489	(47.0)	9,848	16.9	886	(26.5)	12,815	16.9
R	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	2,275	14.2	15,578	10.6	2,744	2.7	19,644	29.1
E	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	9,972	(0.9)	52,360	16.7	1,239	(14.5)	7,525	13.7
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	2,810	3.9	24,596	(43.5)	1,044	27.9	7,679	(21.1)
	Other					6,699	(22.5)	50,078	33.3
	Subtotal					32,347	(23.3)	284,065	36.8
	Softwood Logs - MBF	10,312	*	103,144	(22.5)	7,634	154.5	81,724	17.9
C	Softwood Lumber - MBF	0	*	561	(86.0)	0	*	245	(85.0)
H	Hardwood Logs - MBF	27	(73.0)	1,095	77.9	38	(77.9)	1,245	*
I	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	56	(81.8)	1,110	2.3	41	(89.1)	1,191	62.7
N	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	0	*	1,397	*	0	*	133	79.7
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	0	*	30	(70.1)	0	*	16	(40.7)
	Other					1,892	*	3,617	*
	Subtotal					9,605	*	88,170	20.4
	Softwood Logs - MBF	4,922	33.1	27,085	1.0	3,452	6.5	21,540	42.9
T	Softwood Lumber - MBF	3,095	*	15,280	10.4	1,320	51.9	8,517	60.2
A	Hardwood Logs - MBF	392	(3.1)	6,324	8.7	704	(9.0)	9,720	14.3
I	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	6,725	(19.3)	56,616	(0.9)	6,326	(14.4)	52,729	13.2
W	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	3,667	(59.1)	63,067	56.9	426	(57.7)	7,276	48.6
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	3,049	50.7	27,351	(31.0)	1,021	*	5,567	(17.4)
N	Other					2,672	6.6	20,394	(33.0)
	Subtotal					15,921	(2.0)	125,740	7.0
A									
U	Softwood Logs - MBF	28	*	49	(91.3)	13	*	45	(79.5)
S	Softwood Lumber - MBF	12,366	(31.4)	100,572	31.5	9,374	(33.4)	72,613	76.9
T	Hardwood Logs - MBF	0	*	205	(54.6)	0	*	155	(82.6)
R	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	245	23.7	1,556	(15.8)	208	(37.5)	2,164	(21.4)
A	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	489	*	3,646	(66.2)	27	*	515	(65.2)
L	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	0	*	76	(82.8)	0	*	39	(82.4)
I	Other					1,055	51.8	6,751	9.8
A	Subtotal					10,677	(29.3)	82,280	55.9

Japanese Market Data

Imports -Thousand Cubic Meters	Aug.	July	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	U.S. Import Market Share YTD (%)
Softwood Logs	1,111	1,172	(5.2)	10,159	0.1	52.1
Softwood Lumber	616	950	(35.1)	6,196	24.1	23.7
Hardwood Logs	679	651	4.4	5,909	(21.1)	1.7
Hardwood Lumber	167	142	17.1	1,124	10.4	16.7

	Aug.	July	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Wooden Structures YTD %
Housing Starts-000	137.3	137.3	(0.0)	957.8	4.8	47.5

Source: Japan Wood Products Information & Research Center